

**LDEQ ANSWERS TO PROPOSERS QUESTIONS**  
**RFP No. 3000005258**  
**“Marco/Stevens Sites Interim Corrective Action”**

LDEQ’s answers to the following questions are intended to provide information to potential proposers questions to RFP No. 3000005258

Questions and answers that may potentially result in the disclosure of information from proposals of competing bidders will not be published.

**Question 1:** What is the definition of “actual cost” in schedule C?

**LDEQ’s answer:** Actual Costs is defined as the costs incurred during the course of a project for goods, materials and/or services. The Contractor will not be allowed to add direct costs, indirect costs or profit to the vendor/supplier costs. A receipt (invoice) from the vendor/supplier must be provided for reimbursement of actual cost items.

**Question 2:** Where does performance bond costs go?

**LDEQ’s answer:** A performance bond is an option for the Proposer to choose if the Proposer is unable to provide Financial Statements audited by an independent CPA for the past 3 years as stated in the RFP, Part III Section 3.3. If the highest rated proposer chooses the performance bond option, the Department will notify the Proposer that a performance bond is needed for continuation of the evaluation process. At that time, the Department will disclose the required bond amount. The amount of the bond will equal approximately one year of anticipated work, however the project’s estimated budget will not be released during the advertisement period, as it could compromise the RFP process with regard to competitive price proposals.

If a proposer chooses the option to obtain a performance bond as evidence of financial capability (instead of the financial statements discussed in the paragraph above), the costs for the performance bond can be factored into rates along with any other indirect costs in accordance with Appendix C Sample Consulting Services Contract Article 5 (a) which states:

*The rates for each line in Attachment 2, Schedule of Prices A and B shall include all associated direct costs and indirect costs, etc. as directed in each Schedule of Prices.*

**Question 3:** What is the maximum that the contractor would run through their books at actual cost with no profit?

**LDEQ's answer:** The maximum that the contractor would run through their books at actual costs with no profit cannot be determined at this time. This amount would be determined on a work order basis.

**Question 4:** Subcontractors (section 3.2.6, page 12 of 21): Are waste transporters, disposal facilities, and backfill suppliers considered subcontractors to be listed on the Proposal Cover Sheet?

**LDEQ's answer:** Waste transporters, disposal facilities and backfill suppliers are not considered subcontractors and should not be listed on the Proposal Cover Sheet.

**Question 5:** Elements for Financial Information (Section 3.3, page 12 of 21). A letter of intent to obtain a performance bond is required. However, since the project is Work Order based, with no projected budget; how should the performance bond be calculated? Is there an estimated budget?

**LDEQ's answer:** See the answer to Question No. 2.

**Question 6:** Attachment 1 Statement of Work: Site Health and Safety Requirements (section 5.5, page 13 of 19): Are the Contractor's subcontractors required to be HAZWOPER trained? (i.e. equipment operators, laboratory, grass cutting and grubbing, transporters, etc.)

**LDEQ's answer:** In accordance with Statement of Work, Section 5.5, Site Health and Safety Requirements, the Contractor is responsible for the health and safety of his employees during the performance of all activities required by this contract. It is the Contractor's responsibility to determine which Contractor and/or subcontractor personnel will require HAZWOPER training.